

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of: Philip S. Siegel  
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Examiner: Jonathan P. Ouellette  
Group No.: 3629  
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Confirmation No.: 3801  
Title: *Return Centers with Rules-Based Dispositioning of Merchandise*

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Dear Sir:

**REQUEST FOR CONSIDERATION OF AN INFORMATION  
DISCLOSURE STATEMENT SUBMITTED BEFORE  
MAILING OF THE NOTICE OF ALLOWANCE**

For reasons set forth below, **it is respectfully requested that the PTO file for this application be promptly forwarded to Examiner Ouellette**, for confirmation that the references listed on PTO-1449 attached to the Information Disclosure Statement filed September 14, 2007 have been considered.

On September 14, 2007, Applicants electronically filed an Information Disclosure Statement (IDS) with PTO-1449 form (2 pages) attached, listing the references submitted for consideration. This IDS was received at the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office on September 14, 2007 as shown on the acknowledgement receipt (EFS ID No. 2196494), a copy of which is attached. For the convenience of the Examiner, a copy of the Information Disclosure Statement filed September 14, 2007 is enclosed.

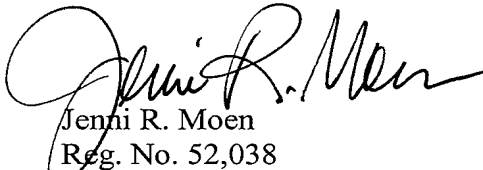
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The Notice of Allowability for this application was mailed on October 4, 2007. However, Examiner Ouellette has not returned a copy of the PTO-1449 form indicating consideration of the references cited in the Information Disclosure Statement filed September 14, 2007.

Accordingly, **Applicant hereby requests confirmation of consideration of the previously filed Information Disclosure Statement.** Examiner Ouellette is requested to initial the references listed on the PTO-1449 form to show that they were appropriately considered during examination of this Application. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to credit any overpayment, or to charge any additional fee required by this paper, to Deposit Account No. 02-0384 of Baker Botts L.L.P.

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Enclosures: Copy of Information Disclosure Statement filed September 14, 2007  
with Form PTO-1449 and copies of cited references; and  
Copy of Acknowledgement Receipt showing  
receipt date of September 14, 2007.